

I am appalled at the current state of affairs where our media is less concerned with reporting and true journalism than it is with broadcasting partisan political films and agendas. One such example of this is the Sinclair Broadcasting Group's airing of an anti-Kerry documentary on its tv stations days before the presidential election. Another such example is the Fox News and it's flagrant bias and passing off opinions as reporting. These 2 examples show why media consolidation is destroying our citizens' rights to factual and unbiased reporting.

Because of the regulations set down by the FCC, the airwaves that Sinclair and Fox News uses are free of charge, but they are not serving the public, which is what they are supposed to do. I've always been lead to believe that democracy is about giving everyone a voice, but when large corporations control the airwaves, only one voice is heard and it drowns out all the others. It's more important to provide people of our nation with all points of view so they can make informed decisions, but when they doesn't happen, democracy can't work.

This outrageous attempt by the Sinclair Group, as well as the ongoing effort by the Fox News Channel show that we need stronger regulations for our airwaves and make these "media" companies responsible to the people they are serving. The license renewal process needs to be expanded and based off more than simply returning a postcard. We need accountability and responsibility. Something must be done, and it's the FCC's job to do it.